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Title: System And Method For Transmitting A Displayable Message To A Short Message Entity In More Than One Data Package.

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir,

Please enter the following preliminary amendment to the above-identified application.

In the Claims

1 1. A system that is capable of transmitting a displayable message to a terminating
2 short message entity in more than one data package over a conveying network, the system
3 comprising:

4 a capacity determiner that determines a capacity of the conveying network for
5 transmitting data;

6 a fragmenter that divides the displayable message into fragments at an application
7 protocol layer based on the capacity determined by the capacity determiner such that the size of
8 the fragments does not exceed the capacity of the conveying network; and

9 a packager that packages the fragments into the data packages such that the data packages
10 are operable to be separately transmitted by a short message service over the conveying network.

1 2. The system of claim 1, wherein the capacity determiner determines a number of
2 octets in the displayable message that are operable to be transmitted in the data packages.